

**Entrance Antiphon**

Cf. Ps 104: 3-4

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;  
turn to the Lord and his strength;  
constantly seek his face.

**Collect**

Almighty ever-living God,  
increase our faith, hope and charity,  
and make us love what you command,  
so that we may merit what you promise.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

**First reading**

Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord says this:  
Shout with joy for Jacob!  
Hail the chief of nations!  
Proclaim! Praise! Shout:  
'The Lord has saved his people,  
the remnant of Israel!'

See, I will bring them back  
from the land of the North  
and gather them from the far ends of earth;  
all of them: the blind and the lame,  
women with child, women in labour:  
a great company returning here.

They had left in tears,  
I will comfort them as I lead them back;  
I will guide them to streams of water,  
by a smooth path where they will not stumble.  
For I am a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my first-born son.

**Psalm**

Psalm 125:1-6

*What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.*

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,  
it seemed like a dream.  
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
on our lips there were songs.

*What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.*

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels  
the Lord worked for them!'  
What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad.

*What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.*

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage  
as streams in dry land.  
Those who are sowing in tears  
will sing when they reap.

*What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.*

They go out, they go out, full of tears,  
carrying seed for the sowing:  
they come back, they come back, full of song,  
carrying their sheaves.

*What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.*

**Second reading**

Hebrews 5:1-6

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: *You are my son, today I have become your father*, and in another text: *You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever*.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Jn8:12

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel**

Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Look, we pray, O Lord,  
on the offerings we make to your majesty,  
that whatever is done by us in your service  
may be directed above all to your glory.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

Cf. Ps 19: 6

We will ring out our joy at your saving help  
and exult in the name of our God.

**Prayer after Communion**

May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray,  
perfect in us what lies within them,  
that what we now celebrate in signs  
we may one day possess in truth.  
Through Christ our Lord.

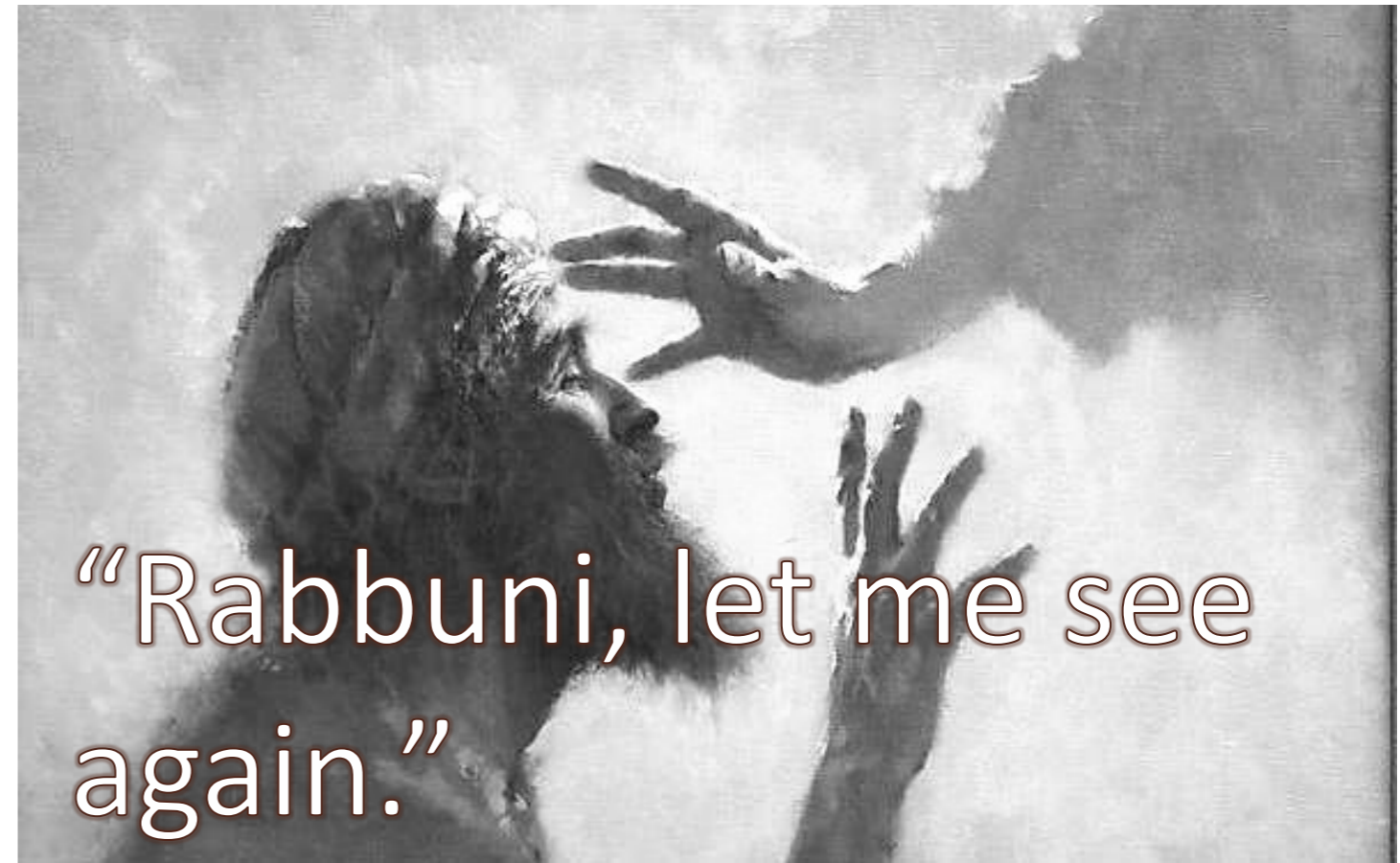
Sunday 11.15am Mass		
Proclamation Hymn	168	Be thou my vision
Offertory	718	We plough the field and scatter
Communion Hymns		Eten doho (African Motet)
	874	Laudate Dominum
	658	The Lord hears the cry of the poor
Recessional	435	Listen let your heart keep seeking



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### Meditation

It is to the Christian community, hesitantly following Jesus on the road of his passion, that Mark reports the episode of the cure of Bartimaeus.

Paradoxically, the blindness of this beggar, seated at the side of the road, does not keep him from perceiving more clearly than the crowd who Jesus is. He expresses his conviction by rejecting all support and jumping up toward the one who calls

him and heals him. The clear-sightedness of faith not only saves us, but also commits us to the dynamism of conversion. As soon as he is healed, Bartimaeus, image of the faithful community and type of the perfect disciple, begins to follow Jesus along the road.

Already a symbol of "those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death" (Luke 1:79), Bartimaeus now becomes the model of those who cry out, who pray to be delivered from their blindness, in order to set out on the way of peace. With the help of the Son of David, we too join the procession of those who believe, those who pray, those who see.

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Notices		
<b>Rosary:</b>	Saturdays	10.30pm
<b>Confessions:</b>	Tuesdays	6pm
	Saturdays	10.30am & 6pm
<b>Adoration:</b>	1 hour before Masses except Sunday	
<b>Morning Prayer:</b>	Monday - Friday	7.30am
	Saturdays	9.40am
<b>Evening Prayer:</b>	Thursdays	6.30pm
<b>Night Prayer:</b>	Thursdays	8.30pm
<b>Housebound?</b>	John MacKinnon (See above) To arrange communion visits	
<b>Coeliacs:</b>	Please speak to a member of the clergy before Mass to arrange communion	
<b>Feeding Priests:</b>	Yi-Pei Chou <a href="mailto:chou.turvey@gmail.com">chou.turvey@gmail.com</a>	
<b>Sunday Coffees:</b>	Aneta Sieminska 07415 321 792	
<b>NFP</b>	Margaret Hammond 07891 358 114 <a href="mailto:mgthammond13@yahoo.co.uk">mgthammond13@yahoo.co.uk</a>	
<b>Children:</b>	Mass screened live in Main Hall To be accompanied to the toilet by a parent or guardian	

Mass Times				
Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions
Sun 25th	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Mass-Polish Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	For the Diocese
Mon 26th	Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest	Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Amira Gomez RIP
Tue 27th		Mass Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	Academic Success Kosie O.
Wed 28th		Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Academic Success Kosie O.
Thu 29th		Mass ACN Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	Chief Sir John Mogbae RIP
Fri 30th	Saint John of Capistrano, Priest	Mass Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Chief Sir John Mogbae RIP Philip Pacitti RIP
Sat 31st	Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop	Mass Vigil Mass	10.00am 7.00pm	
Sun 1st	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass Polish Mass Solemn Mass Mass-Polish Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	

**Mass Intention Envelopes**

At the back of the Church. Print details and post through Clergy House letter box. Recommended offering for each Mass is £5.

It may not always be possible for Mass to be celebrated on your preferred date or at the Cathedral itself. Sunday 11:15 Mass is normally reserved for the Administrator's or Bishop's Intentions for the Parish or Diocese

18th October OFFERTORY: £2,460.50 Polish: £1,008.00



### Cathedral

**ST. ANDREW COMMUNITY (SAC)**  
WYD 2016 Krakow: Any 15-17 year old interested should contact SAC to reserve a space, places are LIMITED!  
**Pledge to sponsor a young person:** If you would like to make a contribution to support our youth, please contact SAC.  
Fundraisers for youth include a Bake-sale every 1st Sunday of the month. Funds raised will go to the youth activities, including WYD.  
**All Saints Eve Party:** Saturday, 31st October from 7-9pm. Best Saints costume wins a prize. Youth Group will meet on Saturday this week.  
**Adoration:** There are still spaces in the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament rota. Please contact SAC.  
**Craig Lodge Retreats:** Nov. 20th-22nd, 27th-29th; Dec. 4th-6th. Contact SAC/ASAP. Spaces limited.  
**Bake Sale:** Bake sale in support of youth work Oct.31st & Nov. 1st after Masses.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL	
Box Collection	£102.21
Donation	£20.00
Expenditure	£401.32
We are very grateful for your kind donations and also the fantastic help we receive from our volunteer helpers.	

### Youth

**ST. MARY'S YOUTH GROUP**  
(12-17's)

**Fridays at 7pm**  
in the Parish House  
Contact: St. Andrew's Community

**LIFE TEEN**  
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

Life Teen youth group for teens aged 11-17 starting soon! Any adults interested in volunteering to help, Friday nights 7-9pm, as a core member please contact St Andrew Community for an application pack.

## Cathedral News

**Baptisms**  
Congratulations to London Ivana Naa, Landis Ivano Nii, Lancelot Ivan Nene and Laython Ivanhoe Nanaa Pollard who were Baptised on Saturday 17th of October. Also Jayden Agu who was Baptised on Sunday, 18th of October.  
Please remember them in your prayers.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR MISSIO SCOTLAND TODAY**  
Missio Scotland through the Pontifical Mission Societies, operates in over 160 countries to support initiatives in 1000 dioceses on five continents. Grassroots needs are identified by local Catholics, to give people the opportunity for a full, enriched life—physically and spiritually—regardless of race, stigma, religion or gender.

**OCTOBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY**  
During October the Legion of Mary will be leading the recitation of the Holy Rosary each evening at 5.30pm. You are invited to join them to pray for your intentions and those of the Church.

**THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**  
During November the holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered up for the repose of the Holy Souls. Please place the names of those whom you wish to be remembered in the envelopes you will find at the back of the church. The envelopes should then be left at the Cathedral office so that the names can be added to the Cathedral Book of Remembrance.

**Angela Gwelo Petition**  
Many of you will know Angelica (Angela), one of the Cathedral's most active volunteers. You may well have noticed her behind the counter in the Bookshop, helping out in the Sacristy or in the Halls kitchen where she is responsible for creating much of the wonderful food served to those attending the various courses held at the Cathedral.  
We are deeply concerned that the Home Office has recently taken the decision to deny Angela permission to remain in this country and to deport her to Zimbabwe where she faces a very uncertain future.  
Angelica made her home in Aberdeen 14 years ago. She has worked for much of that time as a Special Needs Care Worker and is a well-respected member of her community and church. If you would like to sign a petition appealing for this decision to be overturned, please Google Search - 'Angela Gwelo Petition' or use the link on the Cathedral Facebook page.  
You may also wish to write a letter of support to Angela's MP, Kirsty Blackman whose contact details are as follows:  
House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA;  
Tel: 020 7219 8791;  
Email: [kirsty.blackman.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:kirsty.blackman.mp@parliament.uk)

**PRAYER MINISTRY**  
"Pray for each other so that you may be healed" (James 5:16)  
Trained prayer teams are now available after the 11.15am and 6pm Masses to pray with anyone who would like to receive, not only the benefit of prayer, but of hearing and experiencing the prayer. This can be a moment of profound encounter with God.

**SECOND COLLECTION**  
Please note that a second collection for the Cathedral Building Fund is normally taken on the first Sunday of the month.

**Altar Servers Training/Formation**  
starts again on Friday 30 October 6-7pm in the church. Regular attendance by all servers is mandatory. Contact Simon ([begbie\\_no1@hotmail.com](mailto:begbie_no1@hotmail.com)) with any queries.

**HCPT - Life Changing Pilgrimage Holidays**  
Thank you to everyone who has expressed an interest in volunteering with the new Aberdeen HCPT Group for Easter 2016 taking disabled & disadvantaged children aged 10 to 18 on a weeks trip to Lourdes. There is a meeting in the lower Cathedral Hall this Tuesday 27th October at 7pm for all those who would like to volunteer, help in any way or just find out a bit more. All are very welcome. If you can't make it but would like more information please get in touch with local contact - Margaret Mackie on 01224749718 or 07739140420.

**ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL BOOK AND GIFT STORE**  
**Book of the Month**  
"Louis and Zelig Martin: Parents of Theresé of Lisieux" by Fr. Paulinus Redmond (£2.50)  
**Christian Family Life** by Dr. Scott Hahn (£2.50)

We also have another great selection of books in CD form £2 each - Dr. Scott Hahn, Ken Hensle, Dr. Gregory and Lisa Popcak are a few of the authors.  
The book sale starts today, great books and great prices. Get to the shop quick and pick up a bargain. 2016 Calendars on sale now.

## Deanery & Diocese

**Newman Association**  
Thursday November 5 at 7.39 pm in the Bishop's House. Dr Glen Reynolds, the diocesan officer for communications and evangelisation, will talk on the theme "Communicating truth and reconciliation: improving our arguments without shouting"

**REFUGEE ASSISTANT**  
The Diocese is seeking fluent Arabic speakers to assist Syrian refugees. If you can help in this regards, please contact Joyce Webster: [joyce@rcd-abdn.org](mailto:joyce@rcd-abdn.org)

**RE-DEDICATION OF PLUSCARDEN ABBEY CHURCH**  
The Re-Dedication Mass celebrated by Bishop Hugh Gilbert, former Abbot of Pluscarden will place on Thursday 5th November at 11am followed by lunch.  
All are welcome to this very significant event in the history of the Abbey.  
For further details and lunch needs contact by phone 01343 890 257 or email [pluscarden.blessing@gmail.com](mailto:pluscarden.blessing@gmail.com)

**November SCIAF Ceilidh Cancellation**  
Due to unforeseen circumstances, the planned ceilidh for Saturday 7 November will now not take place. We look forward to re-arranging the event sometime in the new year and will keep you posted. Apologies for any disappointment. Thank you.

## Weekly Calendar

<b>Mon</b>	<b>Mother &amp; Toddler Group</b> For parents with young children Main Hall from 10.30-12.30pm Contact: Yi-pei Chou <a href="mailto:chou.turvey@gmail.com">chou.turvey@gmail.com</a> <b>Credo Community Meeting</b> Polish charismatic prayer group. Main Hall at 7.30pm. Contact: Fr Tomasz Klin SJ
<b>Tue</b>	<b>Magnificat Prayer Group</b> Main Hall after Mass Contact: Paul Akagwu 07574 103 852 <b>St. Vincent de Paul</b> Feeding the homeless Contact: Evelyn Murray
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Light Exercise Class for all</b> Main Hall at 10:00am Contact: Laura Walker 0777 3 021 851 <a href="mailto:laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk">laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk</a> <b>Seniors Club</b> Speakers, fun & fellowship Main Hall at 2 pm every 2 weeks Contact: Winnie on 01224 632 465. <b>Cathedral Faith Formation Evening</b> For those interested in learning more about the Faith or becoming Catholic Lower Hall at 7pm Contact: Fr. Keith <b>African Choir</b> For Africans and anyone else. Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm Contact: Patricia Malikebu 07891 714 549
<b>Thu</b>	<b>Healing of Memories</b> Prayer for the healing of painful memories of the past to bring peace to the present. Clergy House at 2.30pm (by appointment) Contact: Deacon Tony <b>Legion of Mary</b> Members serve the Church as needed Lower Hall at 5.30pm Contact: Nogie Osula <a href="mailto:nogisula@yahoo.com">nogisula@yahoo.com</a> <b>Cenacolo Prayer Group</b> Exposition & Rosary praying for healing of those with addictions Church after Mass Contact: Liam Sharkey 07774 931 996 <a href="mailto:liam.sharkey@fsmail.net">liam.sharkey@fsmail.net</a> <b>6pm Music Group</b> Contemporary music for Sunday 6pm Mass Upper Hall after Mass Contact: Michael Thomson <a href="mailto:michael@pianocatholic.org.uk">michael@pianocatholic.org.uk</a>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Our Lady of Aberdeen Prayer Group</b> Rosary & praise in song and word Chapter Room from 1.30 - 2.30pm Contact: Teresa Coyne 07901 851 526 <b>Altar Servers' Practice</b> Church from 6.00 to 7.00pm Contact: Simon <a href="mailto:begbie_no1@hotmail.com">begbie_no1@hotmail.com</a> <b>Youth Group</b> For teenagers between 11 & 17 Clergy House 7pm to 9pm Contact: St. Andrew's Community 07754 891 808 <a href="mailto:standrewscommunity@cathedral-abdn.org">standrewscommunity@cathedral-abdn.org</a>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>Church Cleaning</b> Church at 10.30am Contact: Joyce Webster 01224 319 154 <b>African Choir</b> As above Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm
<b>Sun</b>	<b>11:15 Choir</b> Leading the music for 11.15 Sunday Mass Upper Hall 10.00am Contact: Shelagh Noden